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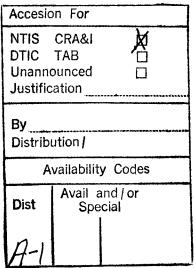
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Summary of important results: We have expended considerable effort to building laboratories both at the OU and at BU. These laboratories are now functioning and producing important data. At BU considerable effort was expended to produce very narrow gate arrays which are necessary for the operation of our GaAs based tunable infrared detectors. We have been particularly successful in these efforts producing gates as narrow as 40 nm and 10 μ m long. We have tested these devices electrically and they work as field effect transistors (FET's) as they should. We are now in the process of testing their response to far-infrared radiation.

Here at OU we have concentrated on a two pronged attack to the problem of producing a far-infrared detector which is tunable via a control voltage. We have made considerable progress on the theoretical front to refine our ideas and insure our plans design concepts have a high probability of success. These efforts have resulted in a suite of sophisticated computer modeling codes which allow us to effectively test design concepts. These programs have been very successful within the past few months in providing feedback as to the expected operating points for our first generation devices. The results of these calculations have shown that our basic ideas as to the operating characteristics of the proposed tunable detector are sound and have lead us to be very optimistic about the possibility for producing a viable prototype device within the next couple of years. These results and similar results to test the suite of computer programs on particularly challenging and

interesting physical problems have been reported in the papers and presented at the conferences listed above.

On the experimental side we have performed various far-infrared experiments to demonstrate that there is a possibility to use this detection scheme for infrared detectors in the technologically important 9 μm to 12 μm wavelength region. We have shown this result as reported in papers and in presentations indicated above. In fact we have demonstrated that it is possible to have tunable infrared response in precisely this region with devices similar to those we are producing in GaAs if the material is altered to InAs. Note that our InAs test devices could not function as infrared detectors because they are too primitive; they are only capacitors and their gates are not appropriately narrow. We have also modified our Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) spectrometer so that we will be able to test tunable detectors. These modifications included an insert to enable cryogenic operation which is necessary for our devices, and the implementation of special step-scan and modulation enhancements to the system to allow us to operate the devices. We have successfully performed all of these operations and tested them on less complicated systems of interest. These reports are included above.

In conclusion we have made considerable progress toward the production of a prototype tunable far-infrared detector. We are confident that this goal will be realized within the next couple of years.